## HB 1261 -- MILITARY ADVOCACY PROGRAMS

SPONSOR: Rowden

This bill requires the Department of Economic Development to establish a grant program under the military preparedness and enhancement commission for local military advocacy organizations to assist with the costs incurred while advocating for economic development and job retention in areas surrounding United States military bases.

The grants award by the commission must match funding received by the advocacy organizations from political subdivisions, federal grants, and private donations. The commission must establish the criteria and procedures for grant applications.